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DECEMBER 10

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1. SUMMARH: VEDAT CELIK CALLED ON AMBASSADOR BENNETT
DECEMBER 10 TO DISCUSS UNFICYP RENEWAL DEBATE ON SECURITY
COUNCIL NEXT WEEK. CELIK OBSERVED TURK/CYPRIOT SIDE PREFERS
LOW-KEY DISCUSSION WITH "PROCEDURAL RESOLUTION" TO RENEW
PACEKEEPING FORCE MANDATE. HE LEFT DRAFT RESOLUTION
(PARA 7) WHICH HE SAID HE HAD GIVEN TO SECURITY COUNCIL
PRESIDENT DATCU (ROMANIA). END SUMMARY.

2. VEDAT CELIK, TFSC "FOREIGN MINISTER" CALLED ON AMBASSADOR
BENNETT ON DECEMBER 10. CELIK OPNED THE CONVERSATION BY
NOTING THAT HE HAD CALLED ALREADY ON VARIOUS SECURITY
COUNCIL MEMBERS -- GUYANA, ROMANIA, SWEDEN, PAKISTAN, ITALY
LIBYA -- AND WOULD BE SOON CALLING ON SEVERAL OTHERS AS
WELL AS SYG WALDHEIM. HIS CALLS WERE FOR THE PURPOSE OF
ELABORATING HIS VIEWS IN CONNECTION WITH NEXT WEEK'S SECURITY
COUNCIL DEBATE ON RENEWING THE UNFICYP MANDATE. CELIK SAID
THE TURKISH SIDE PREFERS A LOW-KEY, DISPASSIONATE DISCUSSION
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IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL WITH AN UNENCUMBERED "PROCEDURAL

RESOLUTION" TO RENEW UNFICYP MANDATE FOR ANOTHER SIX MONTHS. SUCH A COURSE WAS THE BEST WAY TO PAVE THE WAY FOR THE RESUMPTION OF THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS, ALTHOUGH THE GREEK/CYPRIOIS WERE NOT PREPARED TO PROCEED IMMEDIATELY WITH THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS.

3. CELIK NOTED THAT HE HAD SPOKEN TWICE WITH FOREIGN MINISTER CHRISTOPHIDES IN THE LAST DAYS AND HOPED TO GET TOGETHER WITH HIM AT A PRIVATE LUNCHEON SOON. HE SAID THAT FROM HIS CONVERSATIONS WITH CHRISTOPHIDES AND FROM TALKING TO OTHER SC MEMBERS, HE PLANNED THAT THE GREEKS WERE SEEKING TO INCLUDE QUESTIONS OF EXCLUSION AND THE BUFFER ZONE IN THE DEBATE. CELIK THEN LAUNCHED INTO A DISCUSSION OF THE HUMANITARIAN PROBLEM OF GREEK/CYPRIOIS EMIGRATION, WHICH WAS DEMONSTRABLY NOT COMPELLING. EVEN THE GREEK SIDE ACKNOWLEDGES THAT SEPARATION IS A REALITY. CELIK ADDED THAT REPORTS THAT THE TURKS/CYPRIOIS ARE SPEEDING UP EXPULSIONS ARE PROPAGANDA. WHY WOULD THE TURKS DO THAT ON THE VE OF A PACKING FORCE RENEWAL?

4. AS FOR MISSING PERSONS, CELIK SAID, THE TRAGIC FACT IS THAT THESE PEOPLE ARE DEAD. EVERYTHING THE TURK/CYPRIOIS HAVE ON RECORD ON THESE CASES HAS BEEN PUT ON THE TABLE.

5. TURNING TO THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS, CELIK SAID THAT THE TURKS HAVE NEVER SAID THEY WOULD NOT DISCUSS TERRITORY. HOWEVER, AN ARBITRARY PERCENTAGE OF LAND TO BE RETURNED, SUCH AS A HYPOTHETICAL FIGURE OF 20 PERCENT, IS A NON-STARTER. THE RETURN OF TERRITORY SHOULD BE DISCUSSED ON A RATIONAL BASIS WITH SPECIFIC CRITERIA IN MIND: SECURITY NEEDS OF TURK/CYPRIOIS COMMUNITY, REQUIREMENTS OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND STABILITY. BOTH SIDES MUST ACCEPT THE REALITY OF BIZONALITY AND POLITICAL EQUALITY AS STARTING POINTS.

6. AFTER TOUCHING ON AVLONA SITUATION, CELIK REMARKED ON THE USEFUL ROLE PLAYED BY PEREZ DE CUELLAR AND GORGE IN ARRIVING AT INTERIM RESOLUTION OF PROBLEM. NOTE: CELIK APPEARED TO BE IN CONFIDENT MOOD AND WAS GARRULOUS TO THE POINT ON FULLY MONOPOLIZING THE CONVERSATION.

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7. DRAFT RESOLUTION FOLLOWS:

THE SECURITY COUNCIL

NOTING FROM THE REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF DECEMBER , 1976 THAT IN EXISTING CIRCUMSTANCES THE PRESENCE ON THE UNITED NATIONS PEACE-KEEPING FORCE IN CYPRUS

IS STILL NECESSARY,

NOTING FURTHER THAT THE PARAGRAPH OF HIS REPORT, THE SECURITY-GENERAL EXPRESSES THE VIEW THAT THE BEST HOPE OF ACHIEVING A JUST AND LASTING SETTLEMENT OF THE CYPRUS PROBLEM LIES IN NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWO COMMUNITIES AND THAT THE USEFULNESS OF THOSE NEGOTIATIONS DEPENDS UPON THE WILLINGNESS OF ALL PARTIES CONCERNED TO SHOW THE NECESSARY FLEXIBILITY, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT NOT ONLY THEIR OWN INTERESTS BUT ALSO THE LEGITIMATE ASPIRATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS OF THE OPPOSING SIDE,

NOTING THE AGREEMENT OF THE PARTIES CONCERNED IN THE RECOMMENDATION BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL THAT THE SECURITY COUNCIL EXTEND THE STATIONING OF THE UNITED NATIONS PEACE-KEEPING FORCE IN CYPRUS FOR A FURTHER PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS,

1. REAFFIRMS THE PROVISIONS OF RESOLUTION 186 (1964) OF 4 MARCH 1964, AS WELL AS SUBSEQUENT RESOLUTIONS AND DECISIONS ON THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF THE UNITED NATIONS PEACE-KEEPING FORCE IN CYPRUS AND OTHER ASPECTS OF THE SITUATION IN CYPRUS;

2. INTENDS ONCE MORE THE STATIONING IN CYPRUS, OF THE UNITED NATIONS PEACE-KEEPING FORCE, ESTABLISHED UNDER SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 186 (1964), FOR A FURTHER PERIOD ENDING 15 JUNE 1976, IN THE EXPECTATION THAT BY THEN SUFFICIENT PROGRESS TOWARDS A FINAL SOLUTION WILL MAKE POSSIBLE A WITHDRAWAL OR SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTION OF THE FORCE;

3. APPEALS AGAIN TO ALL PARTIES CONCERNED TO EXTEND THEIR FULLEST CO-OPERATION SO AS TO ENABLE THE UNITED NATIONS PEACE-KEEPING FORCE TO PERFORM ITS DUTIES EFFECTIVELY;
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4. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO CONTINUE THE MISSION OF GOOD OFFICES ENTRUSTED TO HIM BY PARAGRAPH 6 OF RESOLUTION 367 (1975), TO KEEP THE SECURITY COUNCIL INFORMED OF THE PROGRESS MADE. UNQUOTE
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